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Subject: Oil & Natural Gas Extraction Compliance Assistance Portal, comments/edits due noon Thursday, December 13
Attachments: Oil and Natural Gas Extraction Portal Fact Sheet (12-3-2018).docx

Good afternoon,

First, my apologies for the very tight turnaround. We have been asked to provide feedback on EPA's Oil & Natural Gas Extraction Compliance Assistance Portal currently under development. I will be consolidating comments on behalf of Region 10. Please have your subject matter experts that work with the oil and gas sector review the attached Word document and Portal webpage documents (accessed via the OneDrive link below). We have been asked to identify:

- 1) regulatory / technical misstatements versus editorial changes;
- 2) any resources (e.g., web pages, guidance documents) that can be linked to or incorporated into the Portal, and
- 3) comments on the structure, function, and organization of the Portal itself.

Any comments should be done in Track Changes and forwarded to me (not saved to the One Drive) by noon Pacific time this Thursday, December 13. Reviewers should save the edited documents with their initials at the end of the file name.

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

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Subject: FW: Oil & Natural Gas Extraction Compliance Assistance Portal One Drive Llink

Good morning Jennifer,

Can you please coordinate comments on this in your Oil and Gas Sector manager role? Comments are due December 14th.

Please let me know if you have questions or would like to discuss.

Thanks,

Michelle

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Subject: Oil & Natural Gas Extraction Compliance Assistance Portal One Drive Llink

Hello - to facilitate the review of the Oil and Natural Gas Extraction Compliance Assistance Portal content, please direct your oil and gas subject matter experts to the below One-Drive link. This link has been created to allow access to anyone in EPA.

(As needed, please see the below email for more information on the Oil & Natural Gas Extraction Compliance Assistance Portal.)



This link will work for anyone in Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).



Oil & Natural Gas Extraction Center

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Subject: Oil & Natural Gas Extraction Compliance Assistance Portal

With the release of the FY 2018-2022 EPA Strategic Plan, the Agency committed to expanding its compliance assistance work by continuing to partner with third-party organizations and federal agencies to support 17 existing web-based, sector-specific Compliance Assistance Centers and develop new centers (see Goal 2, Objective 2.1). I am pleased to announce that to meet this commitment, OECA funded a Cooperative Agreement with the National Center for Manufacturing Sciences (NCMS), to develop a new Compliance Assistance Center resource for the oil and natural gas extraction industry. The goal of the new web-based oil and natural gas extraction compliance assistance portal (Portal) is to help small and medium-sized oil and natural gas extraction companies, that may not have resources to acquire their own environmental experts, comply with their environmental regulatory obligations. We would like to partner with you and your subject matter experts to get your feedback and comments to ensure the content of the Portal is meaningful to this industry. Additional information on the Portal is provided in the attachment.

The success of the Portal is tied to ensuring clear, concise, correct, and relevant regulatory information and that the information is easily found and accessible. To facilitate your comments on the content, Portal webpages were copied to Word documents and made available on a One-Drive. We ask that you and your subject matter experts access the Word documents and:

- Use track changes to recommend edits;
- Focus comments on regulatory / technical misstatements versus editorial changes; and
- Identify any resources (e.g., web pages, guidance documents) that can be linked to or incorporated into the Portal.

We also welcome comments on the structure, function, and organization of the Portal itself.

In addition to EPA feedback on the draft Portal and its content, NCMS has reached out to the following oil and gas extraction stakeholders regarding the Portal development and potential partnerships:

- State Review of Oil and Natural Gas Environmental Regulations (STRONGER)
- University of Texas at Austin Petroleum Extension (PETEX)
- GPA Midstream
- Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission (IOGCC)
- The Shale Gas Caucus (SGC) of the ECOS Waste Committee
- Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association (OIPA)

The need for web-based oil and natural gas extraction compliance assistance resources for small and medium sized oil and natural gas extraction companies was collectively echoed by these organizations. NCMS is currently exploring the development of MOUs to formalize a continued collaborative working relationship with these organizations to support the Portal development and long-term maintenance.

Please submit your feedback and comments on the Portal by December 14, 2018, to Marcia Mia (mia.marcia@epa.gov / 202.564.7042), and please contact her if you have any questions as well. Thank you in advance for your valuable input.

Warm regards,
Patrick

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